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- This application is a continuation of ~~US~~ 09/701,933, now pending, which is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US98/17769, filed 08/27/1998, which is a continuation-in-part of ~~US~~ 08/920,630, filed 08/27/1997, now abandoned.--

In the claims:

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Please cancel claims 1-44.

Please add new claims 45-51:

45. (New) A polygonal spinal spacer for engagement between vertebrae, comprising: a polygonal cortical bone portion having a first end, an opposing second end, a superior face defining a superior vertebral engaging surface and an inferior face defining an inferior vertebral engaging surface; and at least one of said vertebral engaging surfaces defining a first set of migration resistant projections, ribbing or teeth, each of said projections, ribbing or teeth defining a pocket therebetween for trapping vertebral bone, said cortical bone portion having an internal canal extending between opposing faces thereof.

46. (New) The spacer of claim 45, wherein said polygonal cortical bone portion is a composite.

47. (New) The spacer of claim 46, wherein said composite comprises two stacked pieces of cortical bone.

48. (New) The spacer of claim 46, wherein said composite comprises two pieces of cortical bone in juxtaposition to one another.